EC-3144. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Insurance" (12 CFR Part 741) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3145. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the national emergency blocking property of persons undermining the democratic process in Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3146. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency relative to persons who commit or support terrorism as declared in Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3147. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Administrator, received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3148. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position Deputy Secretary of Transportation, received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3149. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch and Pelagic Shelf Rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB79) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-3150. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB87) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3151. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XB86) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3152. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, and 'Other Flatfish' by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area' (RIN0648–XB88) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3153. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone

Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Processor Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XB89) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3154. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Correction to Inseason Adjustments to Groundfish Management Measures" (RIN0648-AV69) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3155. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval of Final Rule to Modify the Halibut and Sablefish Individual Fishery Quota Program; Approval of Final Rule to Implement Amendment 67 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-AS84) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3156. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Action to Lower the Haddock Minimum Size Limit to 18 Inches to Reduce Regulatory Discarding" (RIN0648-AV75) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3157. A communication from the Acting White House Liaison, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on the nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary (Postsecondary Education), received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3158. A communication from the Acting White House Liaison, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the discontinuation of service in an acting role for the position of Assistant Secretary (Postsecondary Education), received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3159. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; General and Plastic Surgery Devices; Classification of Absorbable Poly(hydroxybutyrate) Surgical Suture Produced by Recombinant DNA Technology" (Docket No. 2007N–0267) received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3160. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary (Planning and Evaluation), received on September 6, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3161. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor (Administration and Management), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's inventory of commercial and inherently governmental activities for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 2034. A bill to amend the Oregon Wilderness Act of 1984 to designate the Copper Salmon Wilderness and to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the North and South Forks of the Elk River in the State of Oregon as wild or scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. Lugar, and Mr. Schumer):

S. 2035. A bill to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 2036. A bill to temporarily raise conforming loan limits in high cost areas and portfolio caps applicable to Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, to provide the necessary financing to curb foreclosures by facilitating the refinancing of at-risk subprime borrowers into safe, prime loans, to preserve liquidity in the mortgage lending markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. RENNETT)

S. Res. 312. A resolution honoring the sacrifice and courage of the 6 miners who were trapped, the 3 rescue workers who were killed, and the many others who were injured in the Crandall Canyon mine disaster in Utah, and recognizing the community and the rescue crews for their outstanding efforts in the aftermath of the tragedies; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. Res. 313. A resolution supporting the We Don't Serve Teens campaign; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 314. A resolution designating September 13, 2007, as "National Celiac Disease Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 368

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, and for other purposes.

S. 400

At the request of Mr. SUNUNU, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 400, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of